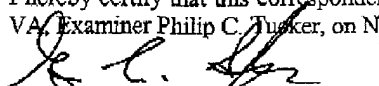


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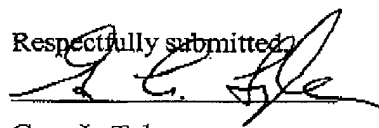
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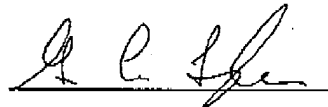

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SUMMARY

The Examiner is requested to withdraw his rejection of the Claims as amended in view of the above arguments. Allowance of Claims 1-2, 4-13, and 15-19; all of the remaining claims, is respectfully requested.

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